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FITZWILLIAM POLICE UPDATES

Richmond Road: In hopes of cutting down on traffic traveling Richmond Road, the selectmen voted to designate it 'No Through Traffic'. Richmond Road has been posted with signs on both ends of Route 119 and the Fitzwilliam Police are regularly monitoring the area.

Many travelers were unaware of the change and the new signage and therefore were using Richmond Road out of habit. Others are simply following their GPS directions. GPS companies have been contacted but their process could take months to change, if they choose to update their systems at all. We ask for your patience and understanding in that it takes time to see positive change.

COVID-19: Emergency Orders are being lifted almost daily and changes are frequent.

At this time the Public Safety building lobby remains locked with limited access to protect both Police and Fire personnel, so that they may serve you in your time of need.

If you visit the building and need assistance please use the call box to reach Police personnel and if unavailable, dispatch. Most business will be conducted outside of the building and we ask that you stand behind the white line for your safety and ours. We can also be reached via phone at (603) 585-6565.

Parade Celebrations: To help with the doldrums of the Stay at Home order, the Fitzwilliam Fire and Police Departments have been participating in celebratory parades for residents. Videos are usually posted to the Fitzwilliam Community Facebook page by the recipients. The Fire Department puts on quite a show!

Animal Control Issues: We are aware that many residents are using social media to report lost or found pets. This has certainly proven effective and many pets are returned home safely and in a timely manner. Because of the efficiency we encourage you to continue using social media, but ask that you also contact the Fitzwilliam Police. We may have a lost pet in custody and/or had a phone call regarding a lost or found pet.

Annual Police Association Car Show: We are sad to announce that because of the COVID-19 restrictions and future uncertainty, the Police Association has decided to cancel the 2020 Car Show. The Association is in the beginning stages of considering a similar alternative event and if an event is possible, we will announce details at a later date.

We are happy to announce, with the success of the 2019 Car Show we were able to provide a MRHS graduate with a \$500 Scholarship. The Association was thrilled to be able to do so and hopes the tradition continues.

Your support and donations to the Fitzwilliam Police Association are greatly appreciated. If you are interested in donating or interested in purchasing Car Show T-shirts or FPA car decals please contact us at (603) 585-6565.

Social Media: Many of us partake in some sort of social media but we at the Fitzwilliam Police Department want to remind you that information can be biased or skewed and we ask you to contact us directly if you have questions or concerns of happenings in the Town of Fitzwilliam.

Scams: Sadly, there are still too many people that take advantage of others vulnerability in the way of phone, email and internet scams. If you have any doubts, the best policy is **do not release any personal information**. Take the caller's phone number and do some research first take make sure the call is from a legitimate business/organization. Confirm emails are legitimate before opening any links.

For more information to protect yourself and your loved ones, please visit stayconnectednh.org. Scam information can also be found on the Town website at fitzwilliam-nh.gov.

Enjoy the summer, stay safe and healthy!

Respectfully submitted,

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